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Dear Ms. Salas,

Enclosed is an original and four copies of a Petition for Rule Making to amend the FM table of allotments for a new FM broadcast station for Honokaa, Hawaii.

Sincerely,

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President

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### PETITION FOR RULE MAKING

In this petition, Mountain West Broadcasting is hereby requesting to allot channel 275C2 (102.9 Mhz) to Honokaa, Hawaii as its first local FM allotment.

#### INTRODUCTION

1. This statement is a petition for rule making to allot FM channel 275C2 (102.9 Mhz) to Honokaa, Hawaii and add it to the Commission's FM table of allotments, 73.202. The following will show the need for an FM channel and the effects the allotment of Channel 275C2 to Honokaa will have.

#### **DISCUSSION**

2. Honokaa is located on Hawaii island. It is also located within Hawaii County, a county of some 120,317 persons. Honokaa has a population of 2,186 persons in accordance with the U.S. 1990 census.

3. The allotment of channel 275C2 to Honokaa will provide the first local broadcast facility to the community and/or the surrounding area. The closest FM allotment is located at Paauilo, Hawaii. Paauilo is located 12 kilometers from Honokaa.

It is obvious that from the above spacing that Honokaa is presently without local FM service.

- 4. Honokaa would greatly benefit from an FM allotment due to the fact there is no AM or FM broadcast facilities within 12 Kilometers of Honokaa. Because of this, it would have an outlet for local self expression. Health and safety for the community would be increased due to having a local communications outlet for warning the area of emergency conditions caused by severe weather or other health hazards.
- 5. Channel 275C2 can be allotted to Honokaa and meet all rules and requirements of the Commission. The instant proposal will not cause a change in the channel number or a deletion of any channel now appearing in the Commission's table of allotments 73 202.

	•	<u>Present</u>	<b>Proposed</b>
Honokaa, Hawaii			275C2

6. In accordance with 73.207 of the Commission's rules, "Minimum Distance Separations between Stations", all allotments on Channel 275C2 and the pertinent adjacent channels to 275C2 have been studied with the results listed in Figure 1 of this petition. The geographic coordinates used for the spacing

Study (N 20 - 04' - 54", W. 155 - 28' - 00") are that of a site located within the community of Honokaa. No site restriction will be required to allot channel 275C2 to Honokaa. Many suitable transmitter sites are available to provide city grade coverage (3.16 mv/m or 70 dbu) to the entire community of Honokaa. These sites would also provide full minimum spacing requirements to other allotments.

#### CONCLUSION

- 7. It has been shown that Honokaa a would benefit from the allotment of channel 275C2. It has also been shown that channel 275C2 can be allotted to Honokaa and meet all rules regarding spacing from other stations. Considering these two facts, Mountain West Broadcasting hereby requests that the Federal Communications Commission institute a Rule Making proceeding to amend the Table of Allotments to include channel 275C2 for Honokaa, Hawaii, 73.202.
- 8. Should channel 275C2 be allotted to Honokaa, I certify that I will file an application for a Construction Permit to operate an FM station for Honokaa, Hawaii.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

9. I certify that I have prepared or directly supervised the preparation of this entire Petition for Rule Making, and that the facts contained within are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, accurate and true.

Dated:

March 4, 1999

Respectfully submitted,

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MAPFM search of channel 275C2 (102.9 MHz), at N. 20 4 54, W. 155 28 0.

# Searching Channel 275C2 (102.9 MHz):

CALL	CITY	ST	CHN	CL	S	DIST	SEPN	BRNG	CLEARANCE
ALC	Kaunakakai	ΗI	272	С	V	197.1	105.0	304.6°	92.1
ALC	Waipahu	ΗI	274	С	U	314.3	188.0	297.4°	126.3
KHUL	Waipahu	ΗI	274	C	L	310.5	188.0	298.0°	122.5
K276DG	Humuula, etc.	ΗI	276	D	L	39.9	0.0	178.5°	39.9

FIGURE 1 HONOKAA, HAWAII MOUNTAIN WEST BROADCASTING